

**EX143. MEMBER ATTENDANCE AT CONFERENCE – REQUEST FOR APPROVAL**

The Executive considered a report by the Chief Governance Officer advising of a request by Baillie Buchanan to attend a conference on Fracking: The Debate on Hydraulic Fracturing for Gas to be held in the Mermaid Conference Centre in London on 19 May 2014 at a cost of £395 + VAT. The Council would also meet travel, accommodation and subsistence costs.

Additionally, the Chief Governance Officer advised that a request to attend the conference had also been made by Councillor McNally subsequent to publication of the report.

Councillor C Martin, seconded by Councillor Nicol, moved that the Executive:-

- (1) approves the attendance of Baillie Buchanan and Councillor McNally at the Fracking: The Debate on Hydraulic Fracturing for Gas conference in London on 19 May 2014 at a cost of £395 + VAT; and
- (2) agrees that members provide verbal or written feedback to Council on any conference they attend.

**Decision**

**The Executive agreed the motion**

Councillor Gow left the meeting following consideration of this item.